AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A toner obtained by a process comprising, in the following order:

a step of externally adding negatively electrifiable silica fine particles to toner mother particles containing a binder resin and a colorant;

a step of externally adding titanium oxide fine particles; and

a step of externally adding positively electrifiable silica fine particles,

wherein the titanium oxide fine particles are rutile-anatase type titanium oxide fine particles having a long axis length of 10 to 30 nm and the isolation rate of the titanium oxide fine particles is 0.7% or less.

2. (currently amended): A toner obtained by a process comprising, in the following order:

a step of externally adding negatively electrifiable silica fine particles to toner mother particles containing a binder resin and a colorant;

a step of externally adding titanium oxide fine particles;

a step of externally adding positively electrifiable silica fine particles; and

a step of externally adding particles comprising a long chain fatty acid or a salt thereof,

wherein the titanium oxide fine particles are rutile-anatase type titanium oxide fine particles having a long axis length of 10 to 30 nm, the isolation rate of the titanium oxide fine particles is 0.7% or less, and the isolation rate of the negatively electrifiable silica fine particles and the positively electrifiable silica fine particles is 0.43% or less.

3. (canceled).

4. (currently amended): The toner according to ~~any one of~~ claims 1 or~~to~~ 2~~3~~, wherein the negatively electrifiable silica fine particles comprise two kinds of negatively electrifiable silica fine particles having different average particle sizes from each other, and the addition amount ratio of the negatively electrifiable silica fine particles having a larger average particle size to the negatively electrifiable silica fine particles having a smaller average particle size is 1/3 to 3/1 by weight.

5. (currently amended): The toner according to ~~any one of~~ claims 1 or~~to~~ 2~~3~~, wherein the titanium oxide fine particles and the positively electrifiable silica fine particles are externally added in a weight ratio thereof of from 1/3 to 3/1.

Claims 6-7. (canceled).

8. (currently amended): An image-forming apparatus comprising:

a toner according to ~~any one of~~ claims 1 or~~to~~ 2~~3~~;

a latent image carrier on which an electrostatic latent image is formed;

a toner carrier for carrying the toner to the latent image carrier for developing the electrostatic latent image on the latent image carrier; and

a development unit having a toner regulating member to regulate the amount of the toner carried to the latent image carrier by the toner carrier.

Claims 9-19. (canceled).

20. (currently amended): A toner comprising negatively electrifiable toner mother particles having externally added thereto:

positively electrifiable silica fine particles;

titanium oxide fine particles; and

particles comprising a long chain fatty acid or a salt thereof,

wherein the titanium oxide fine particles are rutile-anatase type titanium oxide fine particles having a long axis length of 10 to 30 nm, the isolation rate of the titanium oxide fine particles is 0.7% or less, and the isolation rate of the negatively electrifiable silica fine particles and the positively electrifiable silica fine particles is 0.43% or less.

21. (original): The toner according to claim 20, wherein the toner mother particles have a quantity of electrification of from -5 to -60 μC/g.

22. (original): The toner according to claim 20, wherein the positively electrifiable silica fine particles, titanium oxide fine particles, and particles comprising a long chain fatty acid or a salt thereof are externally added to the toner mother particles at the same time.

23. (original): The toner according to claim 20, wherein the toner is obtained by a process comprising, in the following order:

a step of externally adding the positively electrifiable silica fine particles; and

a step of externally adding the titanium oxide fine particles and particles comprising a long chain fatty acid or a salt thereof.

24. (original): The toner according to claim 20, wherein the positively electrifiable silica fine particles and the titanium oxide fine particles are added in a weight ratio thereof of from 1/3 to 3/1.

25. (canceled)

26. (previously presented): An image-forming apparatus comprising:

a toner according to claim 20;

a latent image carrier on which an electrostatic latent image is formed;

a toner carrier for carrying the toner to the latent image carrier for developing the electrostatic latent image on the latent image carrier; and

a development unit having a toner regulating member to regulate the amount of the toner carried to the latent image carrier by the toner carrier.

Claims 27-43. (canceled).